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International Symposium on Ocean Environment : Our Ocean International Conference Vol. 2

Date: October 20 – 21, 2025 (Mon – Tue)

20 (Mon) 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Excursion

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM: Keynote Lecture & Cross Talk

5:30 PM – 7:30 PM: Reception

21 (Tue) 9:40 AM – 5:00 PM : Symposium

Venue: Karatsu Seaside Hotel, Karatsu City, Saga



Participants: Approximately 200 people, including:

Domestic and international researchers, Government officials, International organizations, Local and national administrative officials, Corporate representatives and local participants from Karatsu City and Genkai Town, local NPOs, and high school students.

Program Highlights:

- Keynote Lecture
- Cross Talk: Sharing thoughts on solving marine plastic issues and messages for future generations
- Symposium (tentative program):
 - Session 1:** Impacts of Marine Plastics on Marine Life and the Expected Contributions of the Center
 - Session 2:** Marine Plastic Recycling and Collaboration with Academic and Research Institutions
 - Session 3:** Experiences, Behavioral Change, and Promotion of Civic Engagement
 - Session 4:** Ocean Education and the Center

This international symposium aims to explore the potential of the center and strategies for collaboration with experts from various fields, with the goal of restoring rich and beautiful oceans free from marine plastics.

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